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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: LABOR UNREST AFFECTING AIR OPERATIONS.

1. TWO WEEK OLD STRIKE BY VANCOUVER AIRPORT FIREFIGHTERS SEEKING PARITY WITH HIGHER PAID LOCAL MUNICIPAL FIREMEN HAS SPREAD TO MOST OTHER AIRPORTS IN CANADA. MOT IN PROCESS OF RESTRICTING OR SUSPENDING OPERATIONS. RESTRICTIONS RELATE TO HOURS OF OPERATION AND WEIGHT OF AIRCRAFT. BOTH VARY FROM AIRPORT TO AIRPORT. PRESENT SITUATION (NOON, APRIL 18) AT PRINCIPAL POINTS IS AS FOLLOWS: CALGARY, OTTAWA AND QUEBEC OPERATING NORMALLY. HALIFAX AND ST. JOHNS (NEWFOUNDLAND) CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC. TORONTO AND VANCOUVER CLOSED TO AIRCRAFT OVER 120,000 POUNDS (I.E., LARGER THAN DC-9 AND B-737 TYPES). WINNIPEG CLOSED TO AIRCRAFT OVER 200,000 POUNDS (I.E., LARGER THAN B-727 TYPE). MONTREAL TO BE PARTLY CLOSED (DETAILS NOT AVAILABLE). FAA AND AIRLINE SOURCES WILL HAVE CONTINUING ACCESS TO CHANGES IN OPERATING PICTURE. EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN CONTINUAL REPORTING ON CHANGES IN RESTRICTIONS. AIR CANADA PLANS OPERATE TO MAXIMUM EXTENT UNDER THESE RESTRICTIONS.

2. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS TOOK VOTE ON APRIL 16 AND AUTHORIZED EXECUTIVE TO CALL STRIKE IF NEGOTIATIONS
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NOT FRUITFUL. PREVIOUSLY, UNION FORMALLY AGREED WITH

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GOVERNMENT TO GIVE 48-HOUR NOTICE BEFORE WALKING OFF
JOBS. BARGAINING STILL CONTINUING AND MOT SOURCES
UNWILLING PREDICT WHETHER COMPROMISE WILL BE REACHED
AND ACCEPTED. HOWEVER, THEY EXPECT 48-HOUR NOTICE
ASPECT TO BE MAINTAINED.
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